

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 148

By Reeves

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Jeff Arnett for his meritorious service as master distiller at Jack Daniel Distillery.

WHEREAS, it is most fitting that we should honor and congratulate those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have become leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable individual is Jeff Arnett, who has rendered twelve years of sterling service as master distiller of the Jack Daniel Distillery; and

WHEREAS, a native of Jackson, Mr. Arnett completed a degree in industrial engineering and worked in the food and beverage manufacturing industry for eleven years before moving to Lynchburg in 2001; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, Jeff Arnett began his career with Jack Daniel Distillery in quality control and overseeing Jack Daniel's Single Barrel; he has since worked in various capacities throughout the distillery, including warehousing, maturation, distillation, charcoal mellowing management, barrel quality, and bottling; and

WHEREAS, primed by his diverse work experience within the distillery and his membership on the Master Tasters' panel, Mr. Arnett became master distiller of the Jack Daniel Distillery in 2008; his supervision of the entire whiskey-making process ensures the world's top-selling whiskey label is both in constant supply and true to Jack's guiding belief that "Every day we make it, we'll make it the best we can."; and

WHEREAS, through his dedication to his craft, Jeff Arnett has earned numerous awards and accolades; in 2017, *Whisky Magazine* named him Master Distiller of the Year, and he is one of only a handful of individuals to have held the title of master distiller in the history of Jack

Daniel's, which began operation in 1866. He has also served on the board of the Tennessee Distillers Guild since 2016, most recently as vice president; and

WHEREAS, a devoted husband and father, Mr. Arnett enjoys the love and support of his wife, Lori, and their two children; and

WHEREAS, Jeff Arnett epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Jeff Arnett on his exemplary tenure as master distiller of Jack Daniel Distillery and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.